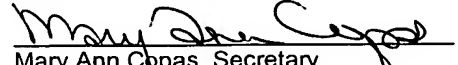




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PETITION AND FEE FOR ONE-MONTH TIME EXTENSION


Sir:

With reference to the above-identified application, and pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a), applicant hereby respectfully requests that this application be granted a one-month time extension to December 27, 2005.

This request for time extension is filed concurrently with an **Office Action amendment**.

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.17, a check for \$120.00 is enclosed. It is requested that any fees required or any shortages in any fees due, now or at any time during the examination of this application, be charged to Deposit Account 02-1653.

Respectfully submitted,


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